

## LESSON 4: WHERE IT WENT WRONG

### Memory work

**6. Q. Did God, then, create man so wicked and perverse?**

A. No, on the contrary,

*God created man good and in His image,  
that is, in true righteousness and holiness,  
so that he might rightly know God his Creator,  
heartily love Him,  
and live with Him in eternal blessedness to praise and glorify Him.*

**7. Q. From where, then, did man's depraved nature come?**

A. From the fall and disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, in Paradise,  
for there our nature became so corrupt  
that we are all conceived and born in sin.

**8. Q. But are we so corrupt that we are totally unable to do any good and inclined to all evil?**

A. Yes, unless we are regenerated by the Spirit of God.

### Homework

(Don't forget: you are free to get help from parents and/or friends with doing these questions.)

1.(3) The Roman Catholic Church teaches a doctrine referred to as "semi-Pelagianism". What is the difference between Pelagianism, semi-Pelagianism, and Calvinism on the issue of man's natural state? (you can check Wikipedia for the answer.)

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2.(2) Why say "Plunge into Sin" rather than "Fall into Sin"? \_\_\_\_\_

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3.(3) Look up Canons of Dort Chapter 3&4 article 16 (last sentence). <https://canrc.org/beliefs>

Did man before the Plunge into Sin possess a free will? \_\_\_\_\_

Why would this be an important truth? \_\_\_\_\_

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Read Belgic Confession article 14. Is man's will free after the plunge into sin? \_\_\_\_\_